

MINUTES OF THE HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
AND WORK SHOP
HELD NOVEMBER 5, 2020

Mayor MacFarlane called the Town Council Meeting & Workshop of November 5, 2020 to order at 5:00 p.m.

Mayor MacFarlane led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present: Mayor MacFarlane, Mayor Pro-Tem Conroy, Councilor Gallelli, Councilor Klein
Absent: Councilor Nebel

CONSENT AGENDA

Routine items are placed on the Consent Agenda to expedite the meeting. If Town Council/Staff wish to discuss any item, the procedure is as follows: (1) Pull the item(s) from the Consent Agenda; (2) Vote on the remaining item(s); and (3) Discuss each pulled item and vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion and Action: Authorization to execute an interlocal agreement with Lake County for CARES ACT Funding

Discussion: Mayor MacFarlane explained that she had thought that the Town was not eligible for CARES ACT Funding, e.g. FEMA comparison. After seeing that all other Lake County Municipalities had been awarded funding the mayor asked Jeff Cole, Lake County Manager, if there was any way Howey could submit a Spend Plan. Mr. Cole was able to get approval from the Lake County Commission. Mayor MacFarlane said that the Town could recoup the \$15,000 in past expenditures for server, firewall, etc. as well as future expenditures for equipment for remote training and work, etc. for a total of +/- \$89,000.

Public Comment: No public comment

Mayor Pro-Tem Conroy moved to allow Mayor MacFarlane to execute the Interlocal Agreement with Lake County for CARES ACT Funding. Councilor Gallelli seconded the motion. Motion passed with a vote of 4 to 0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comment

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Gallelli moved to adjourn, Councilor Klein seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Workshop
Water Rates Study

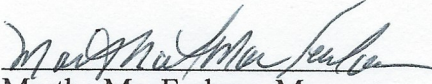
Discussion: Mayor MacFarlane explained that she sent the detail of the water rates per account to the Councilors. The Town Council discussed the water study model and the options of increasing/decreasing the number of gallons included in the base rate as well as a base rate with zero gallons.

The Town Council discussed the options of how to calculate the water rates. Mayor Pro-Tem discussed his research into nearby town rates. The Town Council discussed the Improvement Fee.

The Town Council asked to have Sara Whitaker review the water rate study and weigh-in on the rates and to present at the first Town Council meeting in January 2021. Mayor Pro-Tem Conroy will run numbers to assess the options for water rates.

12 attendees

CITIZEN COMMENTS


Martha MacFarlane, Mayor

ATTEST:

